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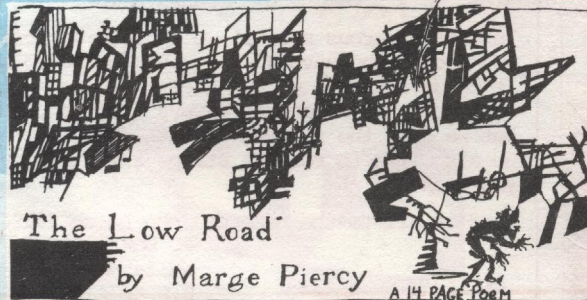
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Carl Harp



LOVE & RAGE



The Low Road

by Marge Piercy

A 14 PAGE POEM



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The Dragon Speaks: Issue no. 10

(August 1981)* The Anarchist Black Dragon Collective came into existence in 1977 out of the struggles against the state and within the Walla Walla Brothers (prisoners in segregation) and Men Against Sexism (Gay and Anti-Sexist prisoners in population) in this prison in 1976 and 1977.

It was our hope that we would be an inspiration for all anarchists inside and out, that our existence and example would rally Anarchists outside to the aid of Anarchists inside and into the prison movement as a whole. Plus that our existence, example and literature would present an alternative to that of the authoritarians inside.

The first issue of our publication the Anarchist Black Dragon was never published due to malfunctions outside (you can stop looking for it now Secret Service), but with our second issue in 1977 we were off and running. To our knowledge, we are the first Anarchist publication and longest running one to ever come out of prison.

In the beginning we wondered how long we would last and what we could accomplish especially inside and from within the belly of the beast. We laughed then and thought out loud that would not last long or accomplish much, and most likely die for even trying. But to our utter amazement and sheer joy, not only are we still in business, we have accomplished more than we thought possible, rallied and inspired many inside and out internationally, and are into our tenth issue looking forward to issue eleven with no loss of life. Whew! To Fucking High Kids! Heavy Duty and Left On! The State has done everything imaginable to crush us, but we are still going and stronger than ever thanks to all of you out there and inside. Without all of you we could never even have begun much less done all that we have. Without all of you many of us would be dead right now. Together we have accomplished and won much. In appreciation of your love and support, we dedicate this issue to all of you with love.

Getting to this issue, much less getting it out on top of everything else was no easy feat, but we did it and are game for another ten issues if you are. You have kept us going and growing not



to mention alive and we thank you Brothers and Sisters with all of our hearts. Dragons is what we are so let our fire consume the beast and free us all! Salud!

Neither God nor Master
-Anarchist Black Dragon Collective-

*Between the time of this Editorial and its printing, Carl Harp, the writer of this particular The Dragon Speaks, was murdered in his cell. Carl is a friend to all of us here, a brother we will never forget. To Carl L. Harp, Revolutionary, Brother, Friend, Co-Founder of the Anarchist Black Dragon Collective and this paper, this issue is proudly dedicated.



Speak to us

One of the nicest things about the Anarchist Black Dragon is communicating with you. We don't like it to be one-way, so drop us a line about what's going on in your neck of the woods, say high, discuss some of the issues raised in the paper, or whatever. We like hearing from you and writing back. Send us names of people you think would enjoy a copy of the Dragon, too.

the Anarchist Black Dragon

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THE FACTS OF LIFE

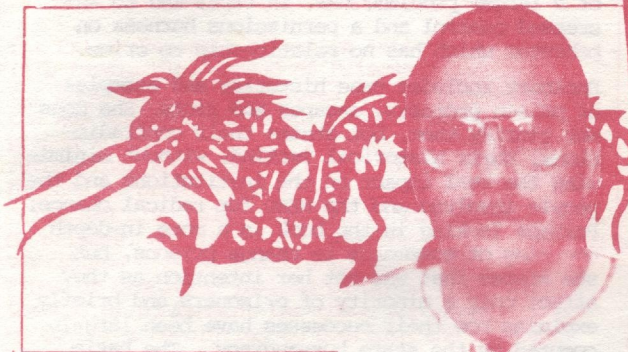
This issue of the Anarchist Black Dragon was put together by volunteer labour as always. We even printed it ourselves. But, there were costs such as renting a typewriter; film, plates and ink for the printing; a contribution to the rent of the print shop; and of course stamps. The printing paper was free. Figure about \$500 - \$600 in total costs.

Now the good news: YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS ALMOST PAID FOR IT ALL. Thanks a lot!

In that generous spirit, we want to ask all you people who have a spare buck or so to send it to us again so we can keep the Dragon flying. Remember, the Dragon is always free to prisoners but we need the support of outsiders to continue. We also like to receive stamps so we can write you back.

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Carl Harp- Love And Rage

Carl Harp was found hanging in his cell September 5th 1981. There was known to have been a contract put on his life by the guards at the Washington State Pen.

Carl was a revolutionary anarchist who with others, founded this paper-the Anarchist Black Dragon. Those who knew Carl well insist he was murdered. The State immediately claimed suicide. An inquest was held October 14th.

Carl sent out at least two letters to friends outside the day he was killed. He talked about feeling strange vibrations towards him from others inside-but he couldn't pinpoint it. He had a feeling something serious was coming up, and talked about fighting back. In both letters, he wrote about upcoming events concerning him such as some action in support of a parole. Discussed too was this tenth issue of the Dragon, and getting back to general population from his segregation cell.

Several days before, Black militant Benny Washington was supposed to have been killed during a melee in the cafeteria. Benny was said to have been one of three prisoners along with Carl on a hit list from fascist guards known as either the Washington Cowboys or the Aryan Brotherhood. Fortunately, Benny got wind of the hit and avoided chow.

Perhaps Carl's response to the contract put out

ALONE YOU CAN FIGHT,
YOU CAN REFUSE.
YOU CAN TAKE WHAT REVENGE
YOU CAN



BUT THEY ROLL RIGHT OVER YOU.

on his life by the guards in August best illustrate his fighting attitude. At the time, he was exhausted from the events of the last two years, so he felt checking into Protective Custody was his only chance to save himself. From a note to a comrade inside;

"Don't know who is consciously or unconsciously fanning flames, but know who started the fire. The fucking State never ceases. May not win brother, but gonna go down at least trying to fight back. Let me know response (to the P.C. move) Sorry I got to do this, but best move. (The State) won't expect this one and before they can do anything I'll be on them hard. State wants to play, I'll play my way. I ain't no sell out and ain't no rat. Down to life or death so making my defensive and offensive moves at the same time. State will think it has at least isolated and alienated me, but watch my smoke brother...Have come too far to quit or allow myself to be put in a cross, so only way I am convinced to deal with it is as I am..."

No sooner had Carl sent out public letters exposing the contract on his life, and checked into PC, then he was kicked out by the PC tier Sarge. Nevertheless, he felt the drastic move of voluntarily demanding entry into PC would force the administration to keep their guards under control. Other moves were made, but it was to be his last fight. Carl's mistake it seems, was that he won his transfer back from San Quentin to Walla Walla, a prison where he had earned the wrath of the pigs because of his years of struggle.

The inquest was a farce. The coronor's wife, Ann Ames asked the questions. Carl's people were not allowed to ask questions. The jury was picked by Ames-they were his friends.

Two prisoners testified. Willy Butler, a prisoner in a cell besides Carl's said the tier was so noisy that if people entered Carl's cell to kill him, he wouldn't have been able to hear. John Bosch, a close comrade of Carl insisted that he was murdered by the State for his political activism. The pathologist impressed people as being senile. He couldn't identify Carl from the photographs. He didn't produce any toxicology reports to determine if Carl had been drugged. The two guards who were supposed to be guarding the tier were off in the kitchen getting food for other guards when the deed took place. So the verdict was of course-suicide. What else can be expected from the State investigating itself?

What now?

It seems obvious that legal suits won't accomplish much. The struggle must continue and people will have to decide for themselves what to do. Obviously, the concern about the murder of an anarchist prisoner go beyond sectarian barriers-the issue is State torture and killings.

Simmons Beats Murder Rap

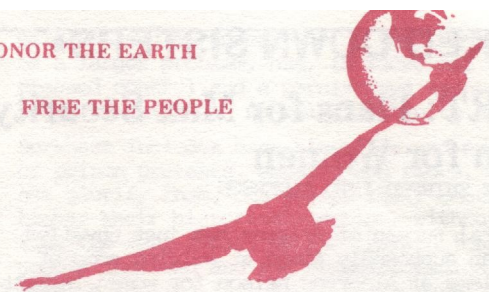
Jimi "Dexter" Simmons was recently transferred from the Washington State Penitentiary and is now confined in segregation in the Washington State Reformatory at Monroe. Dexter is supposedly a danger to others and a threat to the orderly operation of the institution". Prevailing opinion amongst prisoners is that the real reason is revenge on Dexter, an Indian, recently found not guilty in the 1979 stabbing death of a white guard by a jury of guards' friends and neighbors.

The warden of Monroe also recommended that 18 months be added to Dexter's sentence-which has already been extended since the trial-for his "tags" during the 2½ years he was forced to spend in the hole at WSP pending his trial. The fact that all these problems have been administratively intensified for Dexter since his acquittal makes them obvious for the knaveish harassment they are.

For Dexter, this is only partial relief from the misery that began with him and his brother George being charged with the murder. Last year, George

HONOR THE EARTH

FREE THE PEOPLE



was found hanged in his cell.

More information on how you can support Dexter can be obtained by contacting the Simmons Brothers Defence Committee, 1818 20th #105, Seattle WA 98122/ from the WSP News Service, William Dunne #271440 PO Box 520, Walla Walla, WA. 99362

The threat of Amos Reed

Unconfirmed Secretary of the Washington State Department of Corrections, Amos Reed, says that the prisons will continue to have trouble. Trouble is what prisoners in the other state prison systems administered by Reed have reaped, and it has increased in this state's prison system since his accession to power. The North Carolina System which Reed left amidst questions concerning cronyism and suspect expenditures, and the Oregon system, for instance, are among the more repressive in the country. Therein prisoners are subjected to varying degrees of behavior modification programs aimed at counterproductive control and unnecessary restriction instead of fulfilling their social mandate to facilitate positive change in prisoners. Arbitrary repression does not accomplish this end, nor the protection of society.

Reed is also the president of the American Correctional Association, and a perusal of its training manual demonstrates his reactionary attitude and plans. So do his actions at this and other Washington prisons. And how many former associates and proponents of his regressive correctional philosophy will he be allowed to sell to the people of Washington and inflict on their prisoners?

Futher, his refusal to comply with Judge Tanner's Federal Court order to reduce overcrowding (amongst other things) show his contempt for the laws he is charged with upholding. Reed is opposed to work release for prisoners who are soon to be released anyway. Your money is being wasted on him and others like him who carry out oppression in you name. Make your displeasure known.

-from WSP News Service #8. William Dunne #271440 PO Box 520, Walla Walla WA. 99362



More immediate is the critical situation facing prisoners in Walla Walla prison. They are under attack from the reactionary director of Adult Corrections to the 'security' crazed guards. Any protests in support of these prisoners would be crucial. Simply, we can urge you to write letters demanding 1)The effective protection of any prisoners threatened by the staff. 2)The removal of all guards associated with a hit squad, the Western Cowboys, and all those originally fired in 1979 for brutalizing segregation prisoners and later reinstated. 4)An immediate and complete investigation into the guards and the harsh corrections policy in the prison.

Send these letters to: Gov. John Spellman, Olympia Washington 98504; Amos Reed, Director of Adult Corrections, Olympia WA. 98504; Prison Supt. Kastema, PO Box 520, Walla Walla, WA. 99362.

LOCKED DOWN SISTERS

ALERT: Plans for Max Security Prison for Women

MEN TO BE SHIPPED INTO ALDERSON

The Federal Bureau of Prisons has just unveiled a new plan supposedly aimed at solving some of the problems at Alderson prison for women in West Virginia. In reality, the plan, if allowed to go through, will make the conditions of most of the women now at Alderson much worse, will add more beds to the federal prison system, and will create an entirely new 150-bed maximum security prison for women in Lexington Kentucky.

Alderson has been the focus of intense criticism for years, even by some more liberal members of the prison system, because it is totally isolated- 300 miles from the nearest city, Washington DC- and very hard to get to. It also has almost no medical, vocational or educational services. What it does have is a control unit, rebuilt after a powerful protest by outside groups closed down the previous control unit. Cries demanding that Alderson be completely shut down have been mounting for years, and various groups have been putting pressure on the Bureau of Prisons to "do something" about Alderson. Their answer has come in the form of a feasibility study ordered by the House Judiciary Committee. The task Force that prepared the study (made up of four employees of the BOP, including the warden at Alderson, and one budget analyst from the Dept of Justice) came up with the following plan, to be implemented in 1982:

-To convert the old Addiction Research Center in Lexington, KY (which itself has an ugly history) into a secure women's facility with 150 beds.

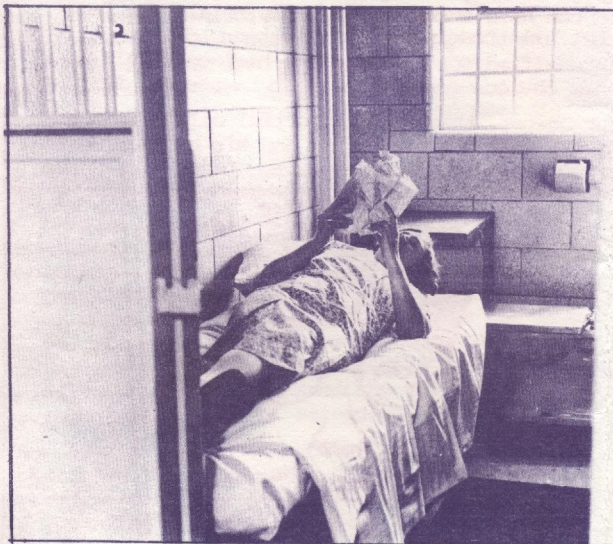
-To change the current status of the prison camp scheduled to open this year at Danbury, CT, from male to female (100 beds);

-To convert Alderson to co-correctional (250 men, 250 women).

The women who stay at Alderson will be no better off. The women who are moved to Danbury may have access to better programs but many will be just as

far away from their homes (25% of the women at Alderson are state prisoners from D.C.). And the women who are moved from Alderson to the new max prison at Lexington will be further from home and in much worse conditions of confinement.

The building of the new facility at Lexington marks a sudden (though predictable) move on the part of the state to strengthen and enlarge the prison system- and it is particularly focused on women prisoners. The new 150-bed prison at Lex is not a part of the present minimum security federal prison there; it will be on the same grounds, but it is a totally separate institution and it means that for the first time there will



be a maximum security federal prison for women in the U.S. -not a maximum security unit inside a larger minimum security prison like Alderson. At this moment, there are less than ten maximum custody women in the federal prison system, so what are they planning for and who will be sent to Lex?

We urge all our readers to protest this new plan- demand that construction of the new prison be halted immediately and that Alderson be shut down completely. Suggest that any plans to improve conditions must include transfer of the women in Alderson to a facility closer to their homes.

Write: Mr. Norman Carlson, Director Federal Bureau of Prisons, 101 Indiana Ave. NW, Washington DC, 20539; and House Judiciary Committee, 2137 Rayburn H.O.B., Washington DC, 20515

(Reprinted from No More Cages, May '81)

*Does anyone know if No More Cages has stopped publishing, or has a new address?

THEY CAN TAKE AWAY YOUR CHILD,
WALL UP YOUR LOVER;
THEY CAN DO ANYTHING YOU CAN'T
STOP THEM DOING.

HOW CAN YOU STOP THEM?



Women In Prison

by Kathryn Watterson Burkhart.
Popular Library, 465 pages, \$1.75(?)

In a world where prisoners and prisons are associated with men, this book introduces the women's story. A large part of this book is their reports and stories Burkhart garnered from interviews.

Burkhart explains how the stereotypes of correct social behavior for women works 2 ways. There are less women arrested and sentenced than men. But once in the prison system, the discrimination of race, class, etc are compounded by those prejudices towards their sex.

The concern of reformers with the neglect and mistreatment of women in prisons at the turn of the century led to the establishment of separate prisons for women. However, since then, more women have been funneled into the system. Today's "cottages" are designed to nurture their so called "domestic instincts". The "education" they do get, and the (unpaid) labour performed are traditionally "women's work" and do nothing to "rehabilitate" them into society. They are penalized for unladylike language and behavior and for menstruating at inconvenient times. The law has introduced the notion of indiscriminate sentences with no minimum or maximum durations. This has led to longer sentences for women than men for the same crime. Larger percentages of women than men are arrested and sentenced for "anti-social" (ie non-criminal) behavior.

For someone who has not been personally touched by the penal system, *Women In Prison* should knock their sensibilities into action. For those who have, it could put a lot into perspective. The book covers topics of "education" in prison, medical "care", sexuality, the prison economy as Big Business and a lot more - and puts them in a good historical perspective. The changes over many years made to the prison structure are seen to be negligible administrative changes. The movement from physical punishment to "rehabilitation" and "treatment" for prisoners, supposedly reflecting a more humane view of the

criminal and an understanding that she is part of a larger problem, has, in fact, led to increased control and a pernicious harness on behavior which has no relationship to crime.

Burkhart includes case histories and examples of prison protests, escapes and riots. She does not glorify them, but states their contradictions, their historical setting, without minimizing the real impact on the institutions and the people involved and the NEED for radical change. Perhaps lacking in the book is a more in-depth covering of movements to change prisons, but she states that was not her intention as they affect only a minority of prisoners, and briefly explains how their successes have been largely coopted by the state bureaucracy. The basic conditions remain the same. If anything, the state has used reforms to expand an unjust system.

It is obvious she believes that only radical surgery will alter the horrors of prisons and of the society that creates/needs them. There doesn't seem to be any other conclusion after reading her book. With that in perspective, hopefully those who work for prison change will not stop short at seeing a bandaid put on a cancer.

-Enfante Forte



DESSIE WOODS VICTORIOUS!

On July 9th last year, Dessie Woods was released from the Georgia Women's Institute of Corrections. The Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled two weeks previously that there was insufficient evidence to convict Dessie Woods of armed robbery thereby rescinding twelve years of the original twenty-two year sentence. The decision was the result of an international defense campaign organized and supported by the African People's Socialist Party (APSP) and other grassroots groups over the past five years. Dessie, 34 was imprisoned for defending herself and her friend from a rape attack. She fought back and killed the armed attacker with his own gun. Her attacker was white.

Dessie's case won international recognition and support. The significance of the movement to free her was addressed by Makini Umkhonto, and APSP member, "Dessie's case was fought with the understanding that she was imprisoned because she was Black in America."

Anarchist ABC

by Carl Harp

A is for Anarchy in its most positive sense which is life itself longing only to live...

B is for Beautiful. That's something we all are when we're human beings and not robots...

C is for the Child in all of us, and for the children all over the world - not to mention those to come...

D is for daring. That's what it takes to be free...

E is for easy. Easy is how it would be to make right all the wrongs if we all came together...

F is for Freedom. Freedom is what we got coming and don't have to wait for or buy...

G is for Good. That's what we all are when we break ourselves down to basics...

H is for the Humanity in our hearts that we long for in our lives. It only needs to be practiced to be a reality...

I is for Inequality. We must do away with all classes to be free of inequality and be equal...

J is for Justice. Justice is what no state will ever give us unless a state of mind takes it...

K is for Kill Joy. A kill joy is what a ruler, a priest, and a cop are...

L is for the Love life can fill you with...

M is for Meaningful Existence. A meaningful existence cannot be had unless we are free of all that holds us back like capitalism does...

N is for Nurd. A nurd is someone who believes they need someone to free them...

O is for Only. Only you can free yourself especially if you join with others...

P is for Prisons. They are places that, in the interest of Justice we must abolish...

Q is for Quiet. That's how we get when we know a wrong when we see it. Instead of remaining quiet why not make some noise...

R is for Revolution. Revolution is only change and that's something we need in our world and our daily lives...

S is for the State and Socialism. All states are anti-social except a state of mind that practices in word and deed it's revolutionary thought. And socialism is what will replace capitalism, and the need for states that are anti-social...

T is for Truth, the foundation of all justice. The truth is we are all slaves and will remain slaves until we break the chains around our necks...

U is for Unity. Unity is the main weapon of struggle for we are only as powerful as we are together...

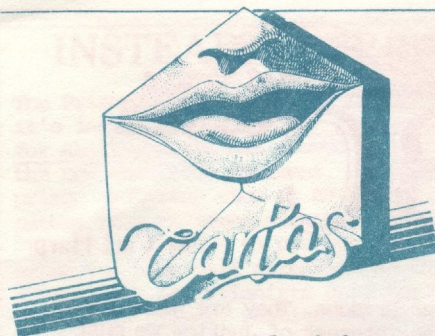
V is for the Victory we shall achieve if we come together...

W is for the World. The world is our country in reality. So why all the borders?

X is a hard thing to define like how will the future be is a hard question to answer, but unless we practice the future today we'll never know...

Y is for You. And you are beautiful when you want to be...

Z is for the Zoo. The zoo is a place we'd like to be rather than be bored to death on a factory line all day long, five days a week, for nothing in reality...



A concerned citizen writes

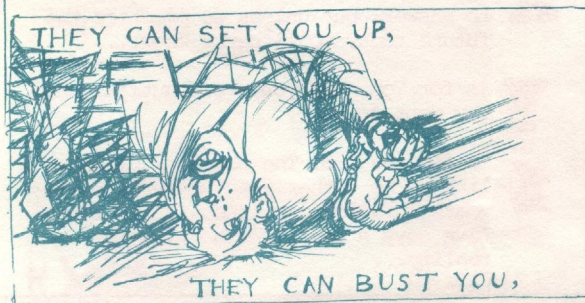
Dear Anarchist Black Dragon & readers,

How many of you would be prepared to help out someone living underground? Often such people need assistance - fast - without drawing any heat on you or them.

This assistance might mean communicating with the person over a 'safe' phone or in a safe place. Maybe using a third trusted person who has no reason to be watched. Often needed will be money (jobs are hard to get and hold when you're on the run). Consider too the need for a safe place to stay for a short time, passing along information, providing ID, make-up & disguise paraphernalia (there is a product available at drugstores that semi-permanently covers tatoos. It can only be removed with its special product remover), transportation, food, futher contacts along the way, legal or medical help. Lastly but most important, moral and emotional support. Being on the run is one stressful way to live.

Think about and plan for what you could do when the situation arises. Consider the effectiveness of setting up such a plan with trusted people locally and in different areas. With times being the way they are, it seems reasonable to assume that the coming "troubles" will force many underground, or hopefully bust many out of joints. Be prepared. Our comrades underground face living hell, a U.S. prison, if caught. We should help them enjoy freedom.

-A concerned citizen-
anytown, USA



Carl Harp

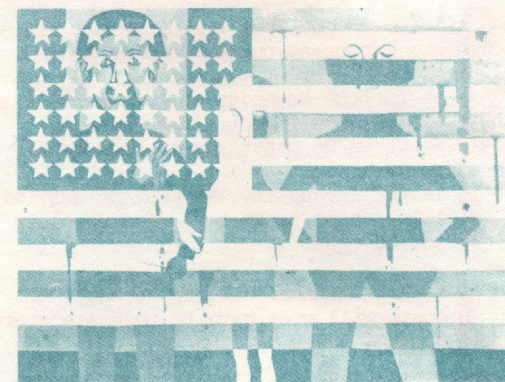
Greetings to the Anarchist Black Dragon,

Because he was in that constant state of developing political responsibility towards society & against authoritarianism, I think he should be saluted for his contributions & not forgotten in his death.

I don't beleive Carl killed himself. I have long expected that he would die abruptly as a direct or indirect result of the oppressive pressure applied by the state.

Hopefully, his writings will preserve the best side of his personality as they reflect the hopes & needs for revolution - social and economic change & and the eradication of presumed authority. Carl was one of the living, with faults & virtues, & I will not presume to judge his spiritual balance. He was one of "us" & not one of "them". In death let us remember him for his contributions to the struggle as well as the controversies he raised. I salute him in his death for his final efforts made in LOVE & RAGE!

In love & struggle,
Comrade Mark Cook



The Flag Is Bleeding
FAITH RINGGOLD
1967

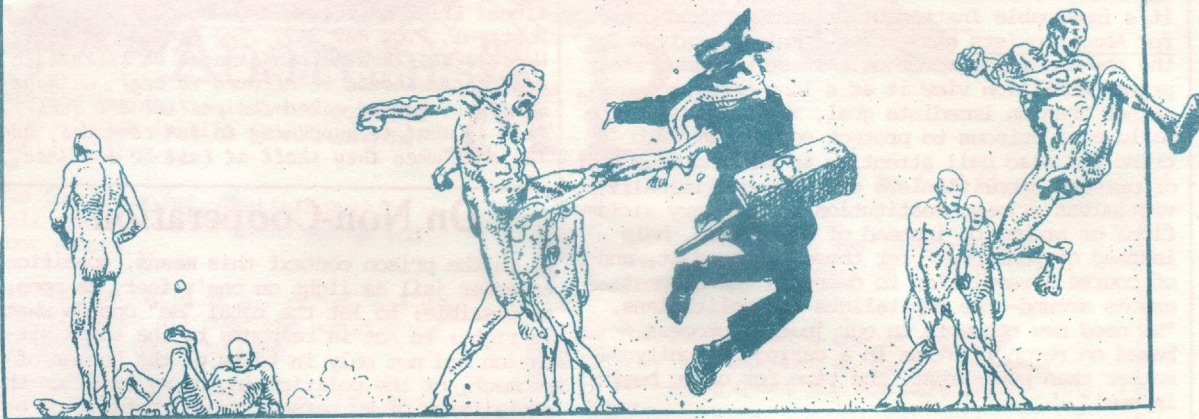
Our fate is bound with prisoners

Carl Harp has been physically eliminated. The spirit and the voice which informed his activism, however, should not be buried with him.

Such intimidation should not go unchallenged, no matter where it occurs. Where Harp and others have been silenced, yet others will take their place. Harp's treatment by prison officials... has been an outrage that is far too common and prevalent. The very real danger for those who speak out is they will face similar fates, too often isolated without any decent support.

Where others have fallen in despair, cynicism, or

TACTICS



Some Practical Schemes for Outsiders

As Anarchist we seem to have neglected prisons, but are we content to allow the state to harass and kidnap our brothers and sisters? As an ex-prisoner, I know that many prisoners do not have any faith in the left and so I believe that if we see that "all prisoners are political prisoners" we must be prepared to show our solidarity by doing action that will win their credibility. It's no good talking - we must show that we care in support for them. You can't blame prisoners if they are reluctant to take direct action, when they get hardly any back-up. Prisons are ideal places for schools for revolutionaries and I personally believe that prisoners have so much revolutionary potential.

I would like to suggest a number of things that could be done by Anarchists in this area - these suggestions may not seem to be that militant but I think they are important as they show our soli-

become inactive - even going so far as advocating the abandonment of prisoners to "their" fate - we cannot. Our fate is bound with those who are behind bars in a very real, a very personal way.

What is really needed is for yet more people to take up the concerns of prisoners, individually and collectively, and their just needs. Whatever the exact level of support we can provide, such an involvement is the best, most meaningful response to his death. It is the only chance for those behind bars to escape the fate of Carl Harp or to ever do anything other than "dead time".

-anonymous-

arity in a practical way.

1) Prisoners' Bookscheme. The aim of this scheme is to get publishers and bookshops to donate books so that they can be sent in to prisoners. What the scheme needs is money to pay for costs of postage, and the names and addresses of prisoners.

2) Local Prisoners' Support Groups. The aim of the groups is to get people that live near prisons to form into a local prisoners' support group. The groups could visit prisoners as a group, or individually, write to them, pass on information, contact groups or individuals that may be of some help to prisoners, publish a newsletter which gives information and news about whats happening inside their local nick, to be given out to local people and visitors to the prison. This group would also be useful if anything happened like the Scrubs riot - as they could get the info circulated quickly. It is important that any group listens to prisoners and asks for their support where possible before any actions are taken by the support group-ie. pickets, demos, etc.

3) Breakout or prisoners' magazines. Breakout is a magazine written for and by prisoners, ex-prisoners, and others who have been in or are against the law. It's aim is to give prisoners a paper of their own and is sent to prisoners for free, but costs outsiders (to pay for costs).

4) Prisoners' Relatives' Bus Scheme. The idea of this scheme is to provide the relatives of prisoners access to their own inside. Many prisoners are in prisons that are a considerable distance from the area in which they have family or friends. These families cannot afford the high cost of travelling - once a month or so for a few hour visit. If we can get groups to organize cheap travel to various nicks. What is needed is mini-

Fascism

Where treatment and conditions are the problems and major threat to security in the Washington State Penitentiary, the priority in spite of Federal Court Orders is security. The problems have grown worse and continue to worsen. For wanting Justice which includes being treated like human beings and for exposing the real scum, animals and criminals in this penitentiary, prisoners, their families, and friends are being punished. To stop any further exposure of the inhumanity and injustice in this penitentiary, the state is working on the ability to totally suppress and repress all under the bright colors of security.

All of the reasons being given to the public for this security like all of the reasons for the overcrowding here are lies. Crushing any and all "negative" exposure, objections, protest & resistance is the reason for these security measures. Prisoners in this prison in their struggle for Justice have cost the State a great deal politically and economically. Thus the State is attempting to see that we do not do this again. For wanting Justice, we have suffered especially since James Sapulding was appointed warden and Larry Kincheloe was appointed Associate of Custody. (Both are ex special forces men. The latter gave orders to the former and was a high ranking officer who specialized in counter intelligence.) They were ordered to crush prisoners in this penitentiary at the first opportunity. For all intents and purposes, they started June 15, 1970 through guards known as the "Upfront Cowboys" who controlled the guards union and thus all custody. They are now trying to reorganise and recruit.

Now the new administration from the Director of Corrections Amos Reed down to this penitentiary staff will implement the "new" policies based on the San Quentin model where custody controls everything and everyone. It's a prison that was just ruled by the Federal Court to be one of the most racist, gang-run, violent, unfit death traps in California. In Walla Walla, Justice has been what the over-whelming majority of prisoners have sought and struggled for. For this, we have been

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BUT TWO PEOPLE FIGHTING
BACK TO BACK CAN CUT THRO' A MOB,
A SNAKE-DANCING FIRE CAN BREAK A CORDO

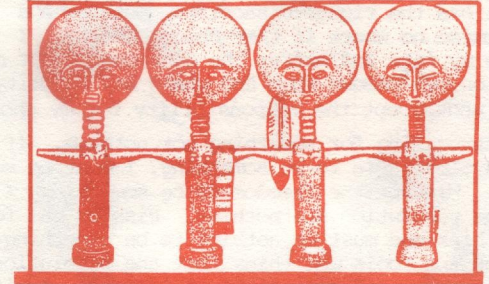


TERMITES CAN BRING DOWN A MANSION.

WAR ON INDIANS

Native people are being arrested and imprisoned at an alarming rate in North America. The arrest rate for American Indians is three times that of Blacks and 10 times that of whites!*

Statistics published by the Ministry of the Solicitor General of Canada (would they lie?) show the native prison population of Canada to be 9%, while they comprise only 3-3.5% of



Peltier Team Making Progress

Writ to be filed in Peltier Case

Within a short time the defence team for Leonard Peltier will present a '2255 writ of Habeas Corpus' to the U.S. Federal Court in Fargo, North Dakota asking for a new trial. This is the latest effort in a long struggle for Peltier's freedom. He was convicted in Fargo in April '77 for "aiding and abetting" in the deaths of two F.B.I. agents during the Pine Ridge struggle two years previously. Leonard was given two Life sentences and is being held in the notorious Marion Penitentiary in Illinois.

There is and has been a great deal of controversy as to whether or not Leonard was allowed his rights under "due process of law" and the U.S. Constitution. It has been a scandalous and bizarre case involving false evidence, prison escapes, assassination attempts, perjured testimony and the harassment and mysterious deaths of some of Leonard's witnesses. His defence committees have made much progress in national and international communities in building awareness and focusing attention on the plight of Leonard and native freedom fighters.

After his case was presented to the Bertrand Russell Tribunal of 1980 dealing with aboriginal genocide, numerous European cities set up support groups for him. The International community watches this case with interest and concern. Any positive decision in Leonard's case could likely affect many political prisoners in our country and only add strength to arguments for our quality of 'justice' in the world community.

Please assist in the promotion of Leonard's legal efforts for justice;

Canada's total population. Shocking? Dig this; same source - The Province of Saskatchewan: Percentage of natives in Provincial Institutions- 58% (1971; do you think it has diminished?) Total % of the provincial population - 4%!! In addition in Canada, a native male is 4 times less likely to receive parole than a non-native male is. (Correctional Institution Statistics '79) Imprisonment, the rape and pillage of their lands, and countless broken treaties are a constant war the governments are carrying out in their genocide against the Original peoples of this continent.

Native people who stand up, like political dissidents in totalitarian regimes, are being killed, drugged and incarcerated in institutions in an effort to silence them. It is our job to make sure this never happens.

-E. B. Wanhaina

*C.E. Reasons, Race, Crime and Justice, Goodyear Publishing Co.

LEONARD PELTIER DEFENCE COMMITTEE, PO Box 1492 / (DEFENCE FUND Acct. #993698 United Nat'l Bank 508 7th St.) Both addresses in Rapid City, S.D. 57709. Telephone- (605) 341-2207

Toxologists Find

Bobby Gene Garcia was Drugged

In 1975, Native freedom fighter Leonard Peltier was told by Standing Deer that the State had tried to force him to assassinate Peltier in prison. Leonard escaped with two other activists who acted as body guards; Dallas Thundershield and Bobby Gene Garcia. Thundershield was killed while he had his hands in the air to surrender. Garcia was immediately recaptured and Peltier managed to stay free for five days.

On Dec. 13 1980, officials at the US Prison in Terre Haute said Bobby Gene Garcia hung himself. To those who knew Bobby, he was known as a man with a very strong and warm character, a fighter for justice, a hard working artist, a man who loved nature and who was always ready to help a younger brother with problems. He was the sort of man who would never commit suicide.

Now, recently disclosed laboratory reports indicate that Bobby was (when found dead in his cell) loaded with "fenobarbital, other barbiturates such as Doriden, Librium and Valium." The reports confirm the suspicions of his supporters that Bobby was drugged and then killed. Bobby was known not to have used drugs.

Avenge these murders! Build the free society!

Standing Deer

Held Hostage by Prison Docs

Immediately after Bobby Gene Garcia's murder, Standing Deer was transferred to the Medical Center for Federal Prisoners in Springfield, Missouri.

There he was operated on for a hernia. He had asked to be operated on in the Evangelical Hospital in Pennsylvania, just outside of his prison in Lewisburg. Against his wishes, he was sent to Springfield. After the operation, something seemed to go wrong with his memory. He wrote to a friend that only on the third day after the operation he began to be able to recollect things,



partly through reading letters. Memories from a further removed past are still incomplete. Every time he reads about the past, fragments come back to him.

His friends who are well aware of the fact that strange things may happen to prisoners in hospitals, are worried about this and so are we!

Standing Deer deserves our full sympathy and solidarity. His address: Robert Wilson a/k/a Standing Deer 01499-164, PO Box 4000, 1-3 Strong, Springfield, MO. 65802 USA

You can write about him and ask information to: George A Ralston Jr. Director Medical Center for Federal Prisons, PO Box 40 Springfield, MO. 65802. and Norman Carlson, Director Fed. Bureau of Prisons, 320 First St. N.W., Washington D.C. 20534

-from HAPOTOC, PO Box 10638, 1001 EP Amsterdam, the NETHERLANDS

The President doesn't want any yes-men and women around him. When he says no, we all say no.—presidential assistant Elizabeth Hanford Dole



FREE
89637-132
LEONARD PELTIER!
P.O. Box 1000
Marion, Illinois
62959

"Knock, Knock."

"Who's there?"

"The F.B.I."

"(Ulp! Wadda I say now? Wait, the clip out page from Off Our Backs on Dealing with the FBI and Grand Juries says, 'Refuse to talk with them, it's your right.' Right!) I've got nothing to say to you."

"Well, it's just a few minor questions."

"Sorry, the answer is NO." (I know these agents are pros at gathering, twisting and using any information).

"OK, but we're going to have a quick search, so let us in."

"Not unless you show me your bonafide search warrant."

"We don't need a search warrant-we're the FBI."

"(Kiss my ass.) Sorry, the law says you do."

"Well, we'll be seeing you later. Have a pleasant day."

"Thank you." (Shit, where's my lawyer's number?)

"Folks, do you know exactly what to do if the FBI comes a calling? You probably don't.

Past Grand Juries and lots of FBI investigations, have been fishing expeditions to gather bulk information about our various 'counter' communities. A major temptation for those of us who know nothing about anyone being investigated is to assume that since we know nothing, we might as well cooperate.

"This is a mistake. By virtue of who we are, what we do, where we live, the work we do, WE ALL KNOW TOO MUCH.

"We know the thousand small details which will help the State plan infiltration and destruction of our communities. We know who works on what, who went to what meeting, , who lives with or sleeps with whom. Questions on such things have been a feature of Grand Jury hearings and are a major reason for meeting all FBI/Grand Jury interrogations with a wall of silence.

"My advice to you is get a buck and send it to Off Our Back for their Dec. '81 issue for futher information on your rights, and their techniques. You may also want to contact-Grand Jury Project 853 Broadway, NY NY 10003. (212) 674-6005. Off Our Backs, 1841 Columbia Rd. Washington D.C. 20009. They also have provocative women's news."

TWO PEOPLE CAN KEEP EACH OTHER SANE,
CAN GIVE SUPPORT, CONVICTION,



LOVE, MASSAGE, HOPE.



Bernard Apte

Fascism

FROM Pg. 7

physically and violently assaulted and stripped of nearly all gains such as recognition of prisoners' rights (ie Human Rights), self-government, self-help organisations of which many were non-profit corporations, community involvement, etc. We never asked for any special privileges or treatment. Almost everything not state issued was bought with our own money. All we asked for, demanded when asking failed, struggled for when our demands were ignored - was Justice. The truth is well documented in the Federal Court case known as Hoptowit -vs- Ray. With this comes the fact that in order to deny us Justice, the state continues to violate all of their own rules and procedures.

We need a little help. Please take a moment and write the following person and ask him why security is the priority over the problems here. Ask him why the guards are being allowed to re-organise a secret gang after his orders were to clean up this penitentiary - especially the guard gangs.

Judge Jack Tanner

U.S. District Court, 12th A St. Tacoma WA.

98405

-A.B.D.C.-

"Our prisons are the reflection of the whole of our life under the present regime; and they will remain what they are now until the whole of our system of government and the whole of our life have undergone a thorough change."

-Peter Kropotkin-

The revolution is of, by and for individuals otherwise it would not be at all. If an individual is nothing then the revolution is nothing. I am not expendable unless I choose to be or have no choice in the matter. The revolution is subordinate to no one and no one is subordinate to the revolution for they are one or not at all. Sacrifice and compromise are a part of life, of any struggle and revolution, but even here an individual has the right to sacrifice nothing and compromise no where if they choose not to. I decide my fate and suffer the consequences of my decision. I choose when and where any majority rules and accept the responsibility for my choice. I am struggling for something not nothing. If the revolution is to be something, I must be something. Without the freedom to be something, I and the revolution are nothing. Piss on the fools that think one must be nothing to be something. Piss on the fools who think that the revolution is everything and an individual is zero. I with or without others am the revolution and the revolution is me with or without others. When others understand this and spare me their statist, bourgeois bullshit, we can make revolution as ONE, be a collective I. Until then it is the same old crap in the name of the revolution and I ain't got time for it. We must break with the past to have any real future at all. We must practice the future today to be the new coming up out of the old-or forever dream about the future being slaves of the old.

-Carl Harp 5/2/81-
San Quentin



Lines

by Fred L. Keys
Attica, New York

Life is one long line;
inconspicuously,
guiding us along
crowded avenues.
Gas-lines, clothes-lines, bank-lines,
lines of debarkation, even-
imaginary-lines!
lines-and-more-lines;
everywhere you look,
LINES!!
Unemployment-lines, deployment-
lines,
PICKET-LINES!
Traffic-lines, offensive-lines, de-
fensive-lines,
hold-up-at-the-yellow-line.
Ticket-lines, YEAH-H TEAM!
HOLD THAT LINE !!!
LINES-LINES-LINES,
DAMN!

Integration-lines, segregation-lines,
back-of-the-line-NIGGER!!!
OH GOD!!
One big BLUR of lines,
east to west, stretching,
north, south,
E*L*O*N*G*A*T*I*N*G-G-G!
going everywhere
ending nowhere, LINES.
Prison-lines
of regimented souls,
TOEING lines!
the shortest distance,
a straight line.
Telephone-lines, crooked-lines,
margin-lines,
LINES* LINES* LINES!
ONE BIG LINE OF SHIT !!!
Third-world circles
mainline messages of HARD-LINED
actions; each sworn to
secrecy.
RIGHT ON-RIGHT ON !
LINE-UP, LINE-UP,
time for welfare;
food stamps anyone?
look at the lines.

I - o - n - g lines. lines of social
HY-POC-RACY-Y-Y-Y, WOW!!!
By-lines; sad tales of unfortunate
characters. Trapped between
gag-lines, punch-lines, lunch-lines,
they all line-up for
STRAIGHT - LINE - PERUSAL.
lines, lines, lines, 8 to 4 lines,
color-lines, movie-lines,
time for refreshment lines, DAMN!!!
lines driving me
CRAZY! NUTS! wild!
can anyone give me a line on a
pistol?
LINES. AND MORE LINES,
pointing, snickering behind my back!
why are lines so
NA-A-A-r-r-o-o-W-W?
(Ring-g-g-g) Oh GOD! It's
not time for the CHOWLINE, is it?
(o-o-oo-- , woo-o)
Who is that? Who is it?
(I-i am-m dea-a-th)
What you want with me man???
(you-u forgot-t one li-i-ne)
What line that be?
(the FUNERAL LINE, a-ah-ha-ha)

MAKING A KILLING CHILD KILLER AND THE R.C.M.P.

In the public enquiry which is now being called for the \$100,000 payment to Clifford Olson, B.C. convicted murderer of eleven children, we should also examine a prison and police system which appears to be so dependent upon its informers. Olson was paid by the RCMP \$10,000 for each body he led the police to. It seems the police could not crack the case without his "cooperation".

Who are the "whole bunch of people...involved" who Crown prosecutor John Hall now admits had to be considered when he personally agreed to the police payment? (Vancouver Province 1/15/82)

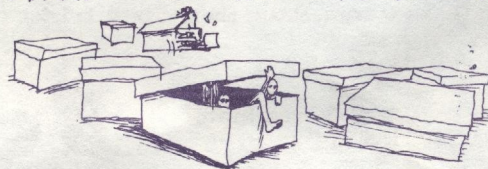
Do they include the warden at the B.C. Pen in '74 when Olson repeatedly raped a 17 year old prisoner but was never formally charged and the information was removed from his file in return for his duties as an informer? Or the Nova Scotia police who "refused to discuss why Olson was never charged with indecent assault? (Vancouver Sun 1/14/82) Or the Pacific Regional Correction Service of Canada (CSC) Director, Doug MacGregor, who now "admits Olson never received any psychiatric help...we never believed it was needed." (Prov. 1/15/82) Or the Toronto police who issued a warrant for his arrest on 2 buggery charges but didn't follow up the letter they sent to the Parole Service (B.C.) after they learned charges were dropped? (Sun 1/15/82) Or prison spokesman Jack Stewart, who states that "there was nothing in Olson's record to indicate that he displayed violent and persistent sexual behavior"? (Sun 1/14/82)

The pattern continues; In Montreal, a hired killer is being granted immunity for the 30 odd murders he committed, for testimony on crime in the city.

A system that "doesn't lay" or "drops" charges must now accept its share of the responsibility for these victims. This same prison system still has no effective program to help sex offenders.

Please note - this is not to be misconstrued to mean that all prisoners should be judged in this light. The issue is the justice system and its informers.

IT GOES ONE AT A TIME.
IT STARTS WHEN YOU CARE TO ACT.



IT STARTS WHEN YOU DO IT AGAIN
AFTER THEY SAY NO.

How very scrupulous of the B.C. Attorney General and the Federal Solicitor-General to insist on abiding by the \$100,000 payment to Olson. They even insist that the RCMP's word is their bond. But, whenever a deal is made with prisoners holding hostages, and succeed thereby in having the hostages released unharmed, there has never been an instance when the prison officials have not publicly boasted of reneging on the 'deal' since it was made under duress.

I, personally, hope that we can at least extend to the grieving families the assurance that every effort is being made to truly open up the prisons to public surveillance, instead of to the futile internal enquiries and self appointed committees.

WE CAN NO LONGER AFFORD A PRISON SYSTEM WHICH DEPENDS ON ITS OWN FOUL PAYMENTS TO INFORMERS' BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE WALLS.

-Claire Culhane-

Prisoners' Rights Group, PO Box 82461, N. Burnaby, B.C. V5C-5Z1

Ironically enough, Claire was barred from the remaining Pacific Regional Federal pens, (For some reason, the authorities don't like to let her visit prisoners) for publicly stating that "Cliff Olson is obviously a very, very sick man...product of the Canadian penitentiary system...not an aberration, not some rarity...but one of the many whose sickness is not being treated while in prison" (Kingston Whig-Standard 10/6/81)

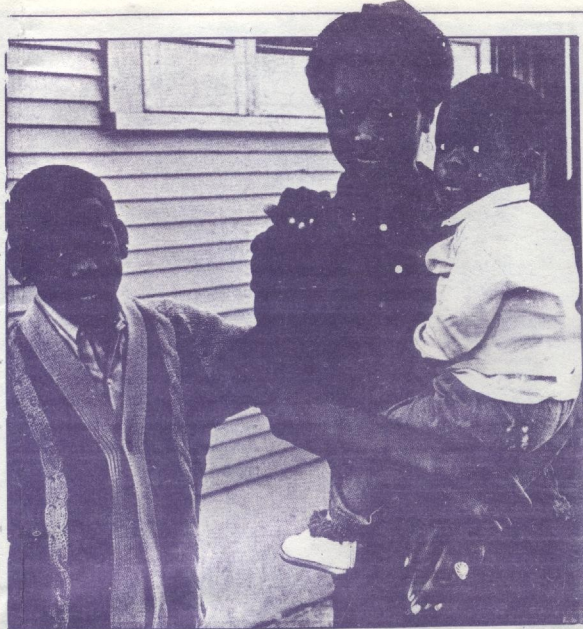
JUDGE BLAMES 5yr. old RAPE VICTIM

A citizens group in south-western Wisconsin is demanding the resignation of Grant County Judge William L. Reinecke for blaming a young man's rape of a 5-year old girl on the "sexually promiscuous" behavior of the child.

The accused, Ralph Snodgrass of Gay Mills, Wis., had maintained a sexual relationship with the child's mother, and pleaded guilty to the charge of rape. However, Judge Reinecke let off Snodgrass with 90 days in jail and a 3 year probation, saying "This man did not know enough to knock off her (the child's) advances". Furthermore Reinecke said the child's behavior was probably a result of her mother and Snodgrass having "sexual contact in view of the young lady."

The sexual assault came to light when the child's kindergarten teacher saw she was in pain. The child was taken to the school nurse, who helped place her in a foster home. The girl's foster parent, June Steiner, said the child was the worst sexually abused case she had seen.

from The Guardian, 33 West 17th St. NY NY 10011
The best radical weekly newspaper from a Marxist perspective. Sub \$12/6 months, \$23/1 year. Sub for prisoners - \$1/1 year



Once a friend of mine sent me one of those postcards with an artists' reproduction of a classic painting. There was a naked woman on it. The censor marked out the tits on the picture. I wouldn't have even noticed it except for it had a black magic marker bra.

-Woman inmate at California Institute for Women

Ex Cop does 37 days — then out on parole

(Seattle Post-Intelligencer 7/17/81)

Richard E. Bartlett, the ex-cop who was sentenced to 2 years for trying to extort \$1 million from Longacres racetrack operator Morrie Alhadeff is being released from prison after serving just 37 days.

Bartlette, 56, confessed to a bizarre extortion plot that was grounded, he said, in his emotional and financial desperation. On the morning of Sept. 24, 1980, the former King County policeman sent a note to Alhadeff demanding \$1 million in cash.

If the wealthy race track operator refused Bartlett's note said, he would blow up Longacres, as well as the homes of Alhadeff and his son Michael.

Police nabbed Bartlett before any money was exchanged. No bombs were ever found. Though Bartlett received widespread letters of sympathy, both the prosecutor and judge recommended a maximum sentence of 10 years.

Told about the release yesterday, King County

The Hidden Oppression

This is a brief synthesis of a feature article from the Dec. 13, 1980 issue of Gay Community News about gay men doing time at the Bridgewater Treatment Center in Massachusetts. Their crime is having consensual (as opposed to forcible or violent) sex with boys under 16. Many, including myself, don't approve of the practice of adults initiating sex with minors because we don't trust adults to have equal relationships with young people. Adults have power and they usually dominate kids one way or the other.

What's important about this article is how gay men are especially persecuted. Straight men rarely get time for having consensual sex with girls, (statutory rape). Only 20% of men charged with forcibly raping women actually serve time. Over 70% of men charged with having consensual sex with boys go to prison. In Massachusetts, all sex including masturbation, fondeling, even kissing, is considered rape if a minor is involved. A man convicted of such sex may receive one life sentence for each act and may also be declared a "sexually dangerous person".

Most men in prison for such offences are from the working class. Many face prison for life. Some have already been there most of their adult lives. Upper income men from the 'finest' families, intellectuals, policemen and politicians are sometimes arrested too, but few serve time.

The therapists involved at Bridgewater tend to view their patients as "unprepared for life outside" unless the men gave evidence of an ability to form lasting relationships, to examine their own behaviour and alter it, and to plan carefully for a future without "trouble". When asked if people should be locked up who could not do these things, one therapist replied, "I suppose not. They might have to lock most of us up in that case."

Gay Community News, 22 Bromfield St. Boston MA. 02108 This excellent weekly has some free subs for lesbian & gay prisoners. Also a gay prisoner pen-pal listing. Write to the Prison Project Service, and say Hi to Mike or Cindy for us.

Proecuter Norm Maleng said he was not going to comment on the case.

Tom Pappas, supervisor of case management for the parole board said he didn't think any favoritism was shown to the white former policeman.

Still, King County Superior Court Judge Jerome Johnson, who sentenced Bartlett to a 10 year term, said he was surprised at the early release and did not approve it. "Lord knows, I just sent him to prison," Judge Johnson said. "I didn't have any basis for recommending intensive parole. It would have been inconsistent".

STRONGER THAN YOU

dedicated to Andy Bruce
Human Rights
you say!
The dignity of Man!
You!
Fucking hypocrites,
look inside
'your prisons'
within
prisons,
The special handling units
where men
are degraded
and
mentally whipped,
double locked
into cells
that have become
their crypts.
Every move
followed
by the threat
of
A shotgun blast,
and every moment
of the day
and night
they are
constantly harrassed,
and
you wonder
at the masks
they wear,
These
sneering men
who
no longer scare.
They've
been through
it all
What more
can you do
to these
angry men
who have
become
Stronger
than you!

In Struggle
and Perfect Love
Be What You Will

Freddie Jo Morry
Prisoner #7791
Archambault Maximum Prison
Ste-Anne-des-Plaines
Terrebonne, Quebec
JON LHO.

IT STARTS WHEN YOU SAY WE
AND KNOW WHO YOU MEAN;

AND EACH DAY YOU MEAN ONE MORE.

Zeke, we finally got the Anarchist Black
Dragon and it's hot stuff!

Great, but I wanted the Bulldozer*

I want
a key.

I want
my mom.

*Bulldozer, the only vehicle for prison
reform. Box 5052, Stn. A, Toronto, Ont.
Canada M5W-1W4

INSIDE/OUT for Prison Writers

INSIDE/OUT is a quarterly magazine dealing with
socially relevant fiction and poetry, (not neces-
sarily prison related) will pay prisoners \$20 per
poem, article, short story or art work used. The
fiction should be at a 3000 word maximum and
poetry should not exceed 100 lines. General
essays should not be more than 10,000 words.

Barcelona Appeals

E.R.A.T. HUNGER STRIKER, MANUEL CRUZ CABALEIRO,
IN SERIOUS CONDITION...

The Association of Family and Friends of Political
Prisoners (AFAPP) decries the predicament of
Manuel Cruz Cabaleiro, without food since Jan. 1,
1982 and now lying close to death, with no spe-
cial attention, in the infirmary of the "Model
Prison" in Barcelona. This comrade is protesting
his indefinite consignment to the Model Prison's
5th Gallery (a punishment block), where isolation
is so extreme that news of the strike became
known no sooner than 25 days after it had begun.
At present, hunger strikes are the only option
that prisoners in struggle have available, but
without solidarity on the outside their effect is
undermined--witness the case of Juan Jose Crespo
Galende, who died on June 19, 1981 in the Cara-
banchel Penitentiary after 98 days without eat-
ing. We must not allow the State to follow suit
with Cruz Cabaleiro. The communications media,

Canadian Kamps

REPORT FROM THE CANADIAN HOUSE OF COMMONS
November 17, 1981 on a newly formulated,
Privy Council Document No. 1305-Says that the
Solicitor General Bob (lock 'em up) Kaplan can;

6. Establish, administer and operate civilian internment camps.
7. Facilitate the selective reduction and transfer of prison populations to provide for the establishment of civilian internment camps.

MP Benno Friesen from B.C. said, "The question arises, if never again, why does the cabinet make provisions for civilian internment camps? I think it is safe to say there is a truism about politics. Governments do not make provision for powers they do not plan to use. Does the government plan to use the provisions in this act? Of course it does. The question is who will be the candidates? Who will be in those civilian internment camps?"

What are you doing to protest this internment camp project before you or friends become campers?

Only articles weighing less than one ounce (or those with enclosed self-addressed envelope stamped) can be returned. All prisoners submitting work will be placed on the subscription list.

This publication only publishes works by incarcerated people.

INSIDE/OUT, GPO Box 1185, NY, NY. 10116

political parties, and other groups are silent about and collaborate with the current wave of repression crashing down on prisoners and outsiders alike. Faced with this situation we send an urgent and energetic appeal to the Spanish people and to all movements in struggle against repression, to act on Manuel Cruz Cabaleiro's behalf. Letters, telegrams, and demonstrations of support at seats of Spanish officialdom in other countries, coupled with our struggle here in Spain, is the only way to save this and other prisoners' lives.

Solidarity with prison struggles! Abolish the Anti-terrorist ("Citizen Security") Law! Full and Unconditional Amnesty! ---Feb. 6, 1982.

A.F.A.P.P., Ronda de Sant Pere, 32, 1^{er} E, Barcelona - 10, Spain

Note: E.R.A.T. is the Spanish acronym for Revolutionary Army in Support of the Workers, six of whose members, all employees of the company S.E.A.T., were sentenced to long jail terms in 1980.

Political Prisoners in USSR

1) "E" is a fighter for human rights and was born in the Ukraine in 1930. He was first arrested in the early sixties for anti-Soviet propaganda. In 1971 he was released and was arrested again in 1974 for the same reason. This time he got 10 years in a concentration camp.

2) ALEXANDER SKOBOV, born in 1958, calls himself an anarcho-socialist and is a pacifist. He founded a commune in Leningrad, which soon became the center of the "Left Opposition" (a group of which he was one of the founders). The group started a magazine that lasted 3 issues. Repression made an end to these activities and on Oct. 14th, '78 he was arrested together with a number of others. In April '79 he was sent to a Psychiatric Hospital for indefinite time (penal code 70). In the summer of '80, Skobov, who was locked up in Psychiatric Hospital #3 in Leningrad, declared himself a supporter of SMOT, the free trade union in the USSR.

3) ALEXIS KHAVINE, born in 1959, a member of the anarchist wing of the Left Opposition. He was locked up for some time in a psychiatric hospital when he was a high school student for distributing works of Peter Kropotkin, a famous Russian Anarchist. April '79 he was arrested again for refusing to give evidence against his friend Skobov. Taken to the pig station, they planted and "discovered" drugs which got him 6 years hard labour. He is due for release in 1985.

4&5) WLADIMIR MIKHAILOV & ALEKSE STASSEVITCH were members of the group Revolution Communards. The former a mechanic, the latter an artist, they were arrested in October '79 for sticking up posters with titles: "Democracy and no Demagoguery" and "Down with State-Capitalism" In them they demanded an anti-authoritarian order and protested against "the family, private property and the State". On Dec. 25, they refused to plead guilty and got 3 years hard labour. Due for release in '83.

6) ALEVTINA KOTICHEVA, was arrested with her two comrades above and got a year and three months at a labour camp. She should have been released.

We don't know the addresses of these people so we can't ask you to send a card to them.

You can write to the Soviet ambassador in your country and bother him with questions about these prisoners. It is useful when the authorities see that we know more about their dirty tricks than they think we do.

(Source: HAPOTOC via Istok, revue libertaire sur les pays de l'Est, 26 rue Piat, 75020 Paris, FRANCE)



INSTEAD OF PRISONS

The Prison Research Education Action Project and it's invaluable Instead of Prisons: A Handbook for Abolitionists has proved a major catalyst for the new abolition movement. Those who advocate prison abolition view it as a long-term process rather than an immediate goal. They emphasize the failure of prisons to protect society or curb crime and also call attention to the enormous cost of prisons. Abolitionists call for decriminalizing victimless crimes, restitution to burglary victims, fines or probation instead of doing time, help instead of punishment for those who need it, and of course a revolution to overturn the biggest crooks around- the capitalists and politicians. "We need new concepts in our justice process based on reconciliation in a caring community rather than punishment. The time for us to begin is now!"

Available from PREAP, 3049 E. Genesee St. Syracuse NY 13224 for \$6.50 We HIGHLY RECOMMEND IT.

A Prison Strike

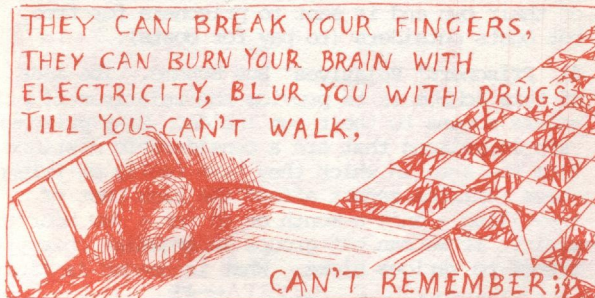
"In the federal prison in Danbury, Conn., there was a total work stoppage involving 760 men for nine days. Things like that are not supposed to happen here. The system is too elaborate, the inmates too weak, the stabilizing factors too well buttressed, the population too divided-but men found voices and demanded to be heard. That is a progression of consciousness and cannot be retracted. It will not be forgotten by either inmate or administrator."

-John Bach & Mitchell Snyder, two strikers

Fig. 3 → Some Practical Schemes for Outsiders

buses, cars, drivers and donations towards the cost of gas. We have written to various oil companies for donations.

5) Campaigns against the various forms of exploitation and degradation heaped on prisoners such as solitary confinement, lack of educational or self-improvement programs, guard violence, the commercial exploitation of prisoners by the prison industries, the lack of their legal rights, etc.



POSTER/MANIFESTO on libertarian prisoners in Segovia, Madrid, Burgos, Herrera de la Mancha, Soria and elsewhere in Spain by "The International Friends"...free from Box 282, Station E, Montreal, P.Q. H2T 3A7..."no lecture at the University, theatre performance or scientific conference should be allowed to begin without someone...having asked the preliminary question of what is happening to our comrades, and the date when they shall at last be set free."

On Non-Cooperation

...In the prison context this means, specifically, to enter jail as light on one's feet, as open, as possible; to let the total "me" decide what is right; to act in response to the total situation and not only in terms of the hunger of my stomach, or the politicizing of my mind, or the socializing of my person. Trust yourself or at least have trust in your potential self. One morning you will awaken to the whole "you" saying non-cooperation and you will then be able to do this gently and with a minimum of irrelevancies jarring on yourself and those about you. And if two days or two months later your whole "you" says cooperate, then you will be able to withdraw gracefully. You are, hopefully, constantly evolving, and to commit yourself totally and for all time (even to nonviolence) is to one's search for truth, and not to people and ideologies and institutions outside of oneself.

-Igal Roodenko, a World War II resister Freedom Rider, veteran of many jailings. from the War Resisters League 1979 calendar & appointment book. 339 Lafayette St. NY NY 10012 \$3.50

6) (Ed. note; We often get letters from people asking what they can do to help. We can only give general suggestions, but the most important thing we recommend is that you make contact with those inside. Write and visit prisoners. If you've never done that before, you will probably be surprised that the walls and myths shaping our perceptions of prisoners will quickly disappear. From the area of fighting to overcome oppression, find out what some of the issues are that lend themselves to the struggle. Then, in conjunction with those inside, work on these issues! We do not recommend that you write another thesis on the effects of prisons for a course. While this might help you develop your own consciousness, the libraries are stuffed with material on why prisons are harmful. The idea is take action to change this reality. Contact a local group or person that is doing something about the situation. From them, you'll probably get a lot of information, encouragement and maybe a new team to work with.)

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Concerning "Dragons & Dragons"

"I also criticize the ABD for giving this fool a soapbox, but not analyzing and challenging his drivel."

Kombo Ervin, Issue #9

Our Reply:

The whole truth can never harm the whole of virtue. In order to get the whole truth, we must allow every man and woman, right or wrong, to freely utter their opinion, and protect them in so doing.

Everyone in the Collective contributes something

to the Dragon with the understanding that it may be criticized by members of the Collective and readers.

John's contribution has been criticized, analyzed and even praised by all in the Collective. It is our belief that John's contribution was excellent (though not his best) because it generated more discussion in the Collective and amongst the readers of the Dragon than any other contribution. Apparently, what he had to say, or tried to say, was timely. We intend to let John do his thing because we find it interesting and educational. Your response to John's contribution was not at

"Dragons & Dragons"; Rebutting the Rebuttal

Various criticisms have been received concerning my article DRAGONS & DRAGONS in issue #8. For these reasons, it has been determined that a clarification of my main arguments is in order. Since I've been called everything from a "naive fool" to a "fascist", I intend to make myself quite clear in a later pamphlet on the subject. However, for the time being, I shall be content to cover some of the points more well-known by the readers of the ABD at this time.

First I think it should be made quite clear that my animosity to Black Nationalism is not based on any racism in myself. I have no feelings against Blacks as a race. My criticism is directed at Nationalism.

Nationalism presupposes the existence of the State. There cannot be a Nation without that Nation being defined in terms that define a State. Every Nation must, because of its structure, be run by a government agency of some sort. Being as that is the case, all Nationalist movements are State-oriented organisations.

Max Lerner once stated:

"In all societies, the historical function of law has been to elaborate, rationalize, and protect the dominant institutions and accredited ways of life (whether "good" or "bad"), and apply ultimately the coercion of the state toward maintaining the outlines of these dominant institutions."



Albert Nock, in the first chapter of his work, OUR ENEMY THE STATE, points out:

"It is unfortunately none too well understood that, just as the State has no money of its own, so it has no power of its own. All the power it has is what society gives it, plus what it confiscates from time to time on one pretext or another; there is no other source from which State power can be drawn. Therefore every assumption of State power, whether by gift or seizure, leaves society with so much less power; there is never, nor can be, any strengthening of State power without a corresponding and roughly equivalent depletion of social power."

There you have the whole definition of a State - and any Nationalist movement. Nationalists, no matter how sweet or high sounding their proclaimed intentions, seek domination over others. The basic and most obvious problem here is that, once the colonial power is overthrown in the name of the people, the Nationalists replace the chains of colonial slavery with those of Nationalism.

There seems to be the idea that I'm a racist because I don't appreciate the humor involved in the joke given by the Black Liberation Army:

"Stick two white radicals in a room with a clock and all you'll get is an argument about what time it is."

Suppose I had said:

"You can break up a meeting of Black radicals by throwing a basketball into the middle of them."

That "joke" would have been considered racist. From the evidence presented, it would appear that the BIA rejects the racism of the White against the Black, but refuses to clean their own house.

One of the criticisms received is that I "obviously know nothing about slavery." According to the 13th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, I am a slave. But I get around

all nice Komboa. We have been repeatedly turned off by your thrashings of people and your name calling, so hope that you will check yourself. Your way is not how we believe one should communicate and educate.

Around Black Nationalism, as a collective we have nothing to say at this time. (We would like to hear what you have to say from a Black Anarchist position.) But around the anti-whitism and racism (is there only one definition of racism?) amongst many Blacks that John was trying to expose and deal with, we agree as one it exists and we think his solution (unity) is revolutionary.

that by refusing to work for the State. On the streets it goes by other names, but unemployment combined with low wages and/or short hours has a collar on all of us.

A study of history will show that all cultures, at one time or another, practiced slavery. The Blacks themselves who complain about being slaves in this country either forget or never knew about the slavery practiced in Africa. You cannot condemn slavery and those who practice it unless you intend to condemn the entire human race.

Not that slavery shouldn't be condemned and abolished. But Black Nationalism cannot do that. Being a Nationalist movement and presupposing a State, Black Nationalism only promises to trade one sort of slavery for another - and only for some people. The end result of Black Nationalism then must be seen as the same old system with new masters.

As for the Klan, anyone except the most bigoted and ignorant can see that the Klan is the enemy of all who believe in freedom. They promise, for the Whites, the same thing that Black Nationalism promised to the Blacks - freedom and power to some, slavery to others. Excuse me, but I find it a bit difficult to distinguish slight differences of character here.

A closely related argument to the above is the "choice" offered by Mark Cook. That statement is:

"Those of European descent cannot fence straddle on the national questions, they must either support the White Nationalist reaction or the North American Nationalist revolution."

Several mistakes are apparent here. First, from everything the BLA - and other groups - claim, this "White Nationalist" whatever is not a reaction. It is the initial action from which the Black Liberation Movement sprang. Therefore, it is the Black Liberation Movement - and all other American revolutionary movements - that are the reaction.

Second, the choice offered is not a choice, but a simple "either/or" set of very limited alternatives. It is a dictation of terms offered by one

We wonder if you are color blind Komboa? After you read this reply, sit back and listen to many of your own around whites and watch how they treat whites. Then tell us if John was out of line. For a long time, whites in the Left have been afraid to openly speak up about this problem (they are afraid of the reaction John got from you), but John had the guts in his way to at least try to speak up and offer a solution. We'd appreciate it if you (and Mark Cook) would confront it with us and try as one to eliminate it. We heard the good things you had to say and love you.

-A.B.D.C.



who claims to support freedom. I'm sorry, Mark, but your Marxist-Leninist background is showing.

There are other alternatives, if alternatives are the only things we have. However, Anarchism points out that freedom is in the ability to choose our own destinies, our own futures. Anarchism rejects the dictatorship of all either/or situations.

For one example of this I can simply state:

"You play the same game as the master and you will receive the same pay."

Komboa, you state that Whites have never been oppressed and murdered as a people? Tell that to the Brothers and Sisters in Ireland. Study history and see me again in 6 months. History shows that before any colonial expansion was started by those of Western Europe, the subjugation

→ "Dragons & Dragons"; Rebutting the Rebuttle
tion and slavery of those of the White race was well under way.

Mark, among others (mostly Marxist-Leninists) says that African Nationalism requires "leadership". Who is to aspire to and claim this leadership? Throughout history the best leadership has been supplied by those who are chosen from the people within that group. However, with the rise of the modern State, we are told more and more often who our leaders will be. We no longer choose our leadership from the great pool of talent around us - we are given a choice(?) of only 2 or 3 "alternatives."

"Leadership", as defined by those of the M-L and Nationalist persuasions, is nothing more than the new slave master. The "leader" doesn't so much lead as drag you along with him.

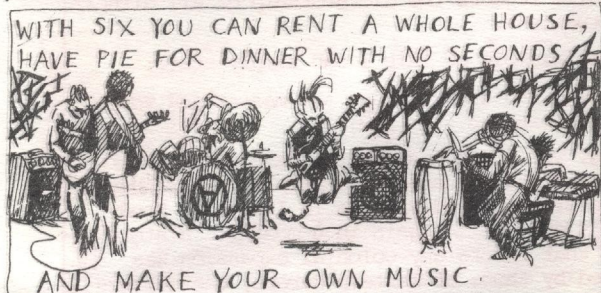
A good example of this is the "right" to vote. I believe that voting, as practiced today, is the finest collar of slavery ever invented. If you win, it gives you the "right" to force others to your will. If you lose, you have the "right" of giving up your freedom or suffering the consequences. Who needs a lottery of that sort?

Besides, Nationalist leadership looks to the good of the State - and overlooks the good of the people of that State. Make no mistake - the good of the Nation is at all times opposed to the good of the people.

We are told by Mark that "racism is comprised of four basic elements that make it whole..." and he further argues that "...Afrikan nationalism is not a composite of these elements."

These elements are, according to Mark:

- 1) Race supremacy: the myth based belief that a 'primary' race (nation) is morally supreme in its relationship with 'secondary' race (nations).
- 2) Race superiority: the unfounded belief that a 'primary' race is mentally and physically superior in relationship to 'secondary' races.
- 3) Territorial and economic exploitation of the land of origin, the labor and consumerism of the 'secondary' races by the 'primary' race for profit of the 'primary' race.



STAMINA ★ PUNCH ★ ★ PUNCH ★ STAMINA



4) Xenophobia: the generation of unreasonable fear and hatred between the races in order to perpetuate the above enumerated elements of racism.

By equating races with nations, the argument can be made that racism and Nationalism are one and the same - if they fall into the trap of practicing these same character traits.

However, in looking at these "basic elements", a few other points come to mind.

"Basic element" #1 and #2 are not separate points, but one and the same. The conqueror race (or nation) always assumes its superiority in all three aspects - mental, moral, and physical. I might also point out that the "joke" about the 2 White radicals shows the seeds of this "superiority" in the BIA.

No one has the "right" to dictate to me. I in turn do not have the "right" to dictate to anyone else. So why don't we all just mind our own business here and forget about "leading" others or forcing them to our own standards.

"Basic element" #3 is nothing more than a re-hashing of economic exploitation as practiced by one culture over another. The Vikings and Huns practiced it in their raids. The Romans carried tribute and taxation to an art. I suggest that those who agree with these points as stated by Mark restudy history - especially that history concerning their Marxist-Leninist gods of 1915 to 1936. Thievery is not an inherent group characteristic, but a characteristic of those members of the group. It just happens to be that the system under attack by Mark at this time is the dominant form at this time.

"Basic element #4 is simply a tactic used to extend the philosophy enumerated in points 1 through 3. A group or organisation will always attempt to propagate its beliefs. Therefore, it is not an "element" in itself, only a tactic employed to further the elements previously stated.

I wish only to argue that Anarchism is a greater dream than Nationalism because it requires the freeing and occupying of the entire world. Nationalism promises freedom only to a few in a single area - and then, because of the nature of the least, fails to deliver.

Mark further states:

"Where anti-racism is a prior-

ity of oppressed nations (races), the anti-racist mass leadership must clearly raise up out of the oppressed nation (races). This cannot be characterized as 'racist' in itself as Bosch characterizes it."

The hell it can't. This philosophy denies to anyone who is not fortunate enough to be a member of a minority group the ability and opportunity to attain a high position of any kind in the social order while it guarantees that these high positions will continue. Behold, the once-oppressed have become the new masters.



*The only good state is
a state of mind that
practises in word and
deed its revolutionary
thought...*

So I've angered many people in the Black Liberation movement, the Afrikan Nationalist Liberation Movement. So what? I've angered quite a few White folks too. It just seems to me to be rather ridiculous to take a position supporting those I intend to rid the world of. I'm not against Black - I'm against anyone who intends to attempt to become my master.

The terms "oppressed" and "oppressor" are loaded terms often used in political rhetoric to mask the true intent of the politician. In one way

or another every one of us is being oppressed. May I suggest that we all group together and fight the common foe, forgetting for a moment our slight differences? May I suggest that a viable alternative, a true choice, to Nationalism of any sort is Anarchism? Are we so small that we will attempt to gain our own freedom by climbing on the backs of others as oppressed and imprisoned as ourselves? Are we to become less oppressed by becoming more oppressive?

as anyone, have the choice of doing what I want when I see fit to do so. In response to these criticisms I've received I can only say:

UP FREEDOM!

UP THE BLACK FLAG!

UP YOURS!

Black Nationalism is too limited in scope, too tiny in its goals, and too restrictive in its philosophy to be a good choice for anyone. It is an alternative that is simply a mirror image of present oppression. It is a new slavery carrying the same old chains.

I am an Anarchist. I believe in freedom. I cannot in good conscience, for the aforementioned reasons, at this time change my position regarding the Black Nationalist Movement as presented by the BIA.

-John Bosch-

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"Throughout recorded time, and probably since the end of the Neolithic Age, there have been three kinds of people in the world, the High, the Middle and the Low...The aims of the three groups are entirely irreconcilable. The aims of the High is to remain where they are. The aim of the Middle is to change places with the High. The aim of the Low...is to abolish all distinctions and create a society in which all men shall be equal."

-George Orwell-

"Don't let your emotions such as rage, fear, frustration, passion and desire control you. Only let it inspire you to be victorious in your struggles to be free. Reactionism may make a situation worse than it is, or worse yet, kill all resistance. So you got to be cool, calm, collected and patient as hell to the point of utter agony especially if you're a revolutionary. They will do everything that they can to make you react, and if you react wrongly, they got you and maybe others. One gains respect from a position of strength - nothing less or more. If you truly love especially yourself, be as strong as you possibly can where, when and if you can. Think about it before you do it. The greater the consequences or your words and deed, the more you've got to think it through until you're reasonably sure that it is cool or not in this struggle for liberation. This is a war, not a game. You fight it - not play it..."

-Carl Harp- 10

A KIND OUTLOOK!

PIGMOTHERFUCKER
SETTLER IN SMALL TOWNSHIP
MACALESTER
INDUSTRIALIZED BACKWOODS
INESSENTIAL
THROUGH THE STEELLOCKDOOR
OF PRISON
GOONFOOL AFTER GOONFOOL
WALK
FROM YOUR CRACKED STREETS
SALVATIONARMY SOUP LINES
AND FREEZING BOXCARS
CRETIN, RETARD, SADIST
INESSENTIAL
PIGMOTHERFUCKER
A DIGITAL HUMANOID
OF NONCOMPARABLE SICKNESS
INGORANCE
DELUSION
'CAUSE MACALASTER IS QUENTIN
AND SAN QUENTIN IS MARION
THE MOST NEFARIOUS GOBBLIN' EVER I'VE
SEEN

NO EXCEPTION, EXIST
WELL, THEY DROPPED BOMBS ON
NAGASAKI
WHEN, DON'T WE KNOW
BOMBERPLANES
SHOULD BE DROPPING BOMBS
BIG BOMBS
ON
MARION
SAN QUINTIN
MACALESTER
WALLA
SOLEDAD. . . . MAKING CONTRIBUTIONS!!

by Ricke Green
Macalester Prison

Collectivization

There is no such thing as private property where the rights of humanity are concerned. No one has the right to keep another ignorant, hungry, naked, unhealthy or a slave of any kind.

-Carl Harp-



SAN RAFAEL (AP) — After a five week investigation, Marin County's district attorney said no criminal charges will be filed against two groups of lawmen who got into a brawling gunfight when they mistook each other for crooks.

There was insufficient evidence to file charges against the off-duty officers who got into the battle in a saloon parking lot at about 2 a.m. April 25. District Attorney Jerry Herman said Wednesday.

Herman said the incident has been referred to each of the law enforcement agencies involved for internal reviews and possible disciplinary action.

The officers had left separate saloons at about the same time, authorities said.

The incident involved San Rafael police officer James Cook, who was with Larry Williams, a federal Treasury Department agent.

They walked out of a saloon and were in

a parking lot when they encountered David Washington, a policeman from nearby San Mateo; Gary Lee, a military policeman based in San Francisco; and Loren Platt, a state Justice Department agent.

One of the men's cars was parked on the street near a parking lot where the other men's car was parked. Each group became suspicious of the other group, they told authorities.

But although both sides claimed they identified themselves as lawmen, a battle erupted in which Washington and Cook received superficial leg wounds.

"Each claims to have fired in self-defense, one side believing they were dealing with 'car clouters' and the other side believing they were being attacked in the parking lot by three unidentified males," Herman said.

In Stockholm, the Reverend Kaarlo Toivo, a fundamentalist minister, was conducting a televised full-immersion baptism service when he was electrocuted by his microphone and killed.

FIGHT BACK!

Feminist Resistance to Male Violence
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"One thing we want to do when we meet women is to counter the myth that women can not fight back and survive. We've been given the myth that if you try to fight back against assault, you'll be murdered. If we try to do anything to save our lives, worse will happen to us. The evidence

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They were delicious.—Chinese Vice-Premier Deng Xiaoping when asked how he liked the rare musk oxen presented to his country by Richard Nixon

NATALYA GORBANEVSKAYA

Here they took away even the mutli-vitamins and gluconate. I am afraid they will use force to inject something into me, and then things will look really bad for my child. I must be got away from here as quickly as possible, as any barbarity is possible...Even my intention to keep the baby might be regarded almost as a symptom of schizophrenia by the doctors...

I gathered all my inner strength so as not to harm the child...The final thing is that if they did want to frighten me, knock me off the rails, traumatize me, they did not succeed. I am awaiting the birth of my child quite calmly, and neither my pregnancy nor the birth will prevent me from doing what I wish - which includes participating in every protest against any act of tyranny.

—Natalya Gorbanevskaya,

A Russian poet and activist imprisoned in a mental hospital while pregnant; was judged 'schizophrenic' and served several years.



THEIR DEMANDS--
ALL TREATIES TO BE
SCRAPPED...VAST
AMOUNTS OF MONEY
AND LAND TO BE
RETURNED TO
THESE INDIANS!
INCREDIBLE!

WE MUST STALL
FOR TIME...TRY TO
SOFTEN THE DEMANDS!
IF ONLY BATMAN COULD
DO SOMETHING!

of that is that you never read about the clever or courageous things a woman did to get a man out of her house to avoid being raped. You never read about a woman who left a batterer after 25 years and started a new life and has gone back to school. You just don't hear about these women. You hear all the gory details about the stabbing and all the rapes.

"Obviously, women must be very dangerous to patriarchy. They've gone to so much trouble to feed us this story. Would they be working so hard to convince us of our weakness if we were really weak? It wouldn't be necessary.

"But women around the country have come to the same conclusion from examining reports, that for every rape, there are three successful escapes. Resistance keeps rapes from happening in many ways."

1) A sixty-year old woman was home alone, and a man was banging loudly on her door threatening to kill her if she didn't let him in. She said calmly, "I'll let you in. But I've got a butcher knife and I'll cut you from groin to gizzard." He fled.

2) A petite woman was walking home when she was suddenly surrounded by five young men who demanded her money. She said, "I picked out the one that looked like the leader, looked him in the eye and said, 'You get out of my way or I'm

going to spill your insides all over this street and use the rest of you to mop him up.' All five backed off without a word and left her alone.

"I think that if you believe in a myth of heroism, then you can let the hero do it and you don't have to do anything because you're not the hero. These few heroes can do all of your resistance for you and they can be symbols for you. If you don't have the myth of heroism, if you realise that it's just a matter of women all the time making decisions in their life and resisting however they can, then you have to look at your own life and say what are my impossible situations, what do I have to do to survive, how can I support and help this woman survive given what she's up against and the choices she's made."

"We also see the situation where the Right Wing is trying to keep feminism and the battered women's shelter movement apart. There are a lot of lesbians who started a lot of shelters that are now being booted out. These shelters are being threatened with a loss of funding by reactionary organisations. They want there to be shelters, but they want them to be similar to the Salvation Army. Something you do for helpless people, to keep them helpless, but keep them alive, to be charitable. They want to keep feminism out because they don't want to change the power relationships that keep women down."

WASHINGTON STATE PENITENTIARY
Superintendent's Meeting
January 13, 1982

A meeting of the superintendent's staff was held with C. R. M. KASTAMA presiding. The following were in attendance:

Tana Wood	Elsie Wells	Diane Hunt	Dr. Maneman	Joe Dayton	Dr. Wood
Curt Gunderson	Ray Armstrong	Captain Moses	G. Jacobson	Tim Brown	
Bob Kukal	Eric Gabrielson	Ernie Brown	Dr. Hussell	Bob Zabor	

It was announced there will be a retirement party on January 22 for Richard Vernon, who is retiring as Director of the Division of Prisons. It will be held at the Elks Club in Olympia from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. If any staff is in Olympia at that time they are welcome to attend.

The medium security building is scheduled to open as a medium unit on January 18. There are still many things to be done. It was asked if towers would be built and Mr. Kastama indicated it would be a number of months before any towers could be built.

Michael Lewis is to be at the institution on January 18. The first part of February the lawsuit brought against the segregation unit will be heard in Spokane. A few people will be asked to testify in this suit.

Phase one of the building program is now in the process of being completed and the second phase is starting. The old administration building is to be remodeled; an elevator will be installed; the Records Office will be located in the basement; the clerical pool and other offices are scheduled for remodeling or relocation. If any of the department heads have suggestions they are to contact Tana Wood, as she is scheduled to meet with the architects next Tuesday. The new segregation unit will be located behind the water tower, outside the walls. This will be composed of modular units, with a double wire fence and two towers.

Mr. Kastama asked for an audit from each department indicating racial balance of inmates who are working and their pay scale. This is to be submitted by February 1. The new inmate pay scale is in effect, with the Inmate Pay Task Force scheduled to review the pay scale this coming week.

Tana Wood reported the unit concept seems to be working out very well. Counselors will now be making recommendations to the Parole Board, as the other institutions have been doing for years.

Dr. Maneman discussed what is going on in the Mental Health Unit. They are recruiting for psychiatric social workers. The University of Washington has agreed to help us recruit. Barbara Nelson will have an office on the first floor of the hospital where she will interview men before they go to the third floor.

A pass system is scheduled to be set up as soon as possible. This should eliminate some of the problems the inmates are having now in getting to the library, hospital, etc.

An employee news letter will be coming out soon. The Personnel Department will be in charge of this.

The meeting was adjourned.

C. R. M. Kastama

A THOUSAND HAVE SOLIDARITY AND
YOUR OWN NEWSLETTER;
TEN THOUSAND, COMMUNITY AND
YOUR OWN PAPERS; A HUNDRED
THOUSAND, A NETWORK OF
COMMUNITIES; A MILLION;
YOUR OWN
WORLD.

PHOTO: Connecticut Klan members were given a rock concert by anti-racists during a police escorted parade in Meriden last year

(ARTHUR McDUFFIE was a Black salesman who was murdered by white Miami police during a routine traffic stop in 1980. The acquittal of the police led the rebellion in the Liberty City section of Miami in May 1980.)

WHO KILLED MC DUFFIE

(a definitive question)

his brain was bashed
cranium crushed
skull fracture/broken
all the way around
but they say those who beat him
didn't kill him
so who killed mc duffie?
maybe it was the same ones
who didn't kill

clifford glover/andy heath/jay parker
claudie reese/andy evans/luis baez
autorio reyes/bonita carter/eula love
elizabeth magnum/arthur muller &
countless others

when they musta tripped or
their fingers slipped

maybe it was the same ones who didn't kill
jose torres/zayd shakur/fred & carl hampton
jonathan & george/ joe dell
twyman myers/surgeon winters & a few thousand more
do you suppose it was those who didn't kill
lumumba/che/amilcar/biko/fanon
mondlane/marighella/cordero &
quite a few thousand more.

do you suppose it may have been those
who didn't kill indians & mexicans
who didn't steal the land &
claim that they discovered it
who didn't steal african peoples
halfway across the planet
who didn't bomb the japanese
vietnamese & boriqua too
do you think it might have been those
who didn't kill at attica/watts/dc

detroit/newark/el barrios
at jackson state at southern 7
at the algiers motel
who didn't shoot mark essex for
16 hours after he was dead
ask them & they'll tell you
what they didn't do
but they can't tell you
who killed mc duffie

maybe it was one of those
seizures of unexplainable where he
beat himself to death
it shouldn't be unusual
our history is full of cases where we
attack nightsticks & flashlites with our heads
choke billyclubs with our throats until we die
jump in front of bullets with our backs
throw ourselves into rivers with
our hands & feet bound
and hang ourselves on trees/in prison cells
by magic

so it shouldn't be a mystery that
nobody killed mc duffie
he just died that way so many of us do
of a disease nobody makes a claim to
the police say they didn't do it
the mayor say he didn't do it
the judges say they didn't do it
the gov't says it didn't do it

nixon says he didn't do it
the fbi/cia/military establishment
says they didn't do it
xerox/exxon/itt say they didn't do it
the klan & nazis say they didn't do it
(say they was busy in greensboro &
wrightsville)

i know i didn't do it
that don't leave nobody but you
& if you say you didn't do it
we're back where we started
looking for nobody
who killed mc duffie

you remember nobody don't you
like defacto segregation
where they said the schools were
segregated

but nobody did it on purpose
like when they said there's been job
discrimination
for years
but nobody did it intentionally
that's the nobody we're looking for
the ones with the motive to kill
mc duffie

& you see, we must find this nobody
who slew mc duffie
because the next person nobody will
beat, stamp, hang, or shoot to death
won't be mc duffie
it'll be you or someone close to you
so for your own safety you should
know the pedigree of
who killed mc duffie
you should know the reason of
who killed mc duffie
you should remember all those forgotten
who died of the disease nobody makes
claim to
so we won't be here asking
who killed you

Hakim Al-Jamil
Leavenworth Penitentiary

Our Final Challenge

There is a large problem among many of us that is being avoided. It's the near bankruptcy of radicals who do little more than analyse & publish.

One example of how this malaise demonstrates itself is when a radical newspaper printed an article that trashed and lied about the prison movement and certain radical prisoners without checking the facts. Another example was when Carl Harp sent out letters in Washington state asking for help against the guard's contract on his life. Anarchist radicals there were "too busy" with literature projects to assist him. After he was murdered and the suspected existence of a hit squad seemed too real, Carl's wife went around trying to get help to expose the crime and protect other threatened prisoners. These same radicals were still "too busy" (now with a press release on his death, I guess). Meanwhile, a local Marxist-Leninist oriented prison group also froze her out, because a Marxist-Leninist party who weren't "correct", were involved pushing for a public investigation and action.

Literature and jive talk must be the opiates of the Left. Our movement has an extremely large number of spectators who analyse situations, but won't act in them; who criticize activists - but aren't activists; and reaching absurdity - preach rabble rousing action without any practice themselves.

The effects of this hypocrisy is betrayal. It leads to the depersonalization and alienation of real people and real events by the spectators. That's why Strike! can print an article dumping on the prison movement and people inside because it's not real to them. They're not involved.

The other reason it's betrayal is that those who are active find themselves fighting alone. As long as radicals are occupied "communicating", they are off the streets and out of trouble. They're not developing or exercising necessary skills of direct-action, civil-disobedience, organising, fighting & winning. Radical politics remain largely an armchair activity.

I'm not advocating that we abandon our media and discussions. But no struggle for freedom was ever advanced by radicals who avoided direct involvement as much as our movement does. What's the use of all of our radical media and inflammatory talk when it's often a substitute for ACTION?

The job of activists is not so much to ponder reality-BUT TO CHANGE IT. PRACTICE WHAT YOU PREACH. For myself, I'm finishing my commitment to this Dragon and returning to more direct participation with the issues at hand. I've coopted myself too much as a publisher of radical publications. I have no regrets about the Anarchist

THIS ISSUE HAS
SOMETHING 4
EVERYONE - YES
INCLUDING YOU
WHO ARE EYE-
BALLING MISTAKES
(O NO!)

The next issue of the Dragon is going to return to the format of issues #1 thru 7 where it was layed out in the prison and sent to an outside group to print and mail. That's how it should be, but due to some severe repression, that job fell on us outside.

always, Ron Reed and friends
SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE

Black Dragon, and I hope it continues and flourishes. The positive response we've received from prisoners and outsiders, the fact that prisoners have a voice that reaches beyond the walls, and the ideas, energy and support that the Dragon has helped generate all confirm that it is a worthwhile project.

Visit

In April of 1980, the Penitentiary in New Westminster British Columbia held an Open House tour for the public. The newspaper stated that 6,000 people had passed through the gates. Six thousand people on the first day. Where were those 6,000 people on "Prison Justice Day" last August 10th and the years before?

...If just one out of every hundred of those persons who made the tour were to take the time to write or to make an odd visit (even once a month) and show a bit of decency towards just one prisoner, then perhaps prisons per se wouldn't become objects of amazement and fascination to be seen as museums or unfortunately but realistically, as zoos.

-Rod Camphaug, Archambault
reprinted from Bulldozer #1

THE BAD SEED: HOW DISHONEST CHILDREN KILLED GROWING FIRM

Young Salesmen Kept Funds Owed to Seed Company;
'Part of the American Way'

By John Helyar, Staff Reporter of The Wall Street Journal

LANCASTER, Pa.-American Seed Co. has gone out of business, overwhelmed by the dishonesty of grade school children.

It is a sad end indeed for a company that introduced generations of the nation's youth to the ways of free enterprise. In ads featured in every juvenile publication from Boys Life to Batman, it held out this offer: Sell packs of garden seeds and split the proceeds with the company or win prizes. "For more than 60 years, we are proud to say, selling our garden-tested seeds has become a part of the American way of growing up," this year's catalog introduction says.

To more and more youths, however, the American way was to order the seeds, scurry around the neighborhood selling them at 60 cents a pack, and pocket all the money. The company's idea was for the kids to send back 40 cents a pack or return all the cash and get a prize. This year alone, unreturned money cost American Seed about \$600,000 in sales, or nearly half of what it collected in revenues. That doomed the company to its fifth straight losing year.

Some might call it a disgrace, some a sign of the times. American Seed decided to call it quits.

DO SOMETHING!

I knew a man once
I did not know him well
Or for very long
For three years
He was on the
Periphery of my
Life
But I knew him
As well as one
Man may know another

He was a fighter
Revolutionary devout
Anarchist and
He held his love
And rage about
Him as a cloak
Or waved a
Streaming banner
Of struggle refusal
To bend the knee
To the fascist
Bureaucratic tyranny
And he died as he
Lived alone and
Struggling
Done in by ignorant
Men
Minions of that same
Tyranny

Men who never
Saw the love
The concern
The tenderness
Of which this man
Was capable
And which he
Showed to those
He fought for
And loved

They saw only
A thing to fear
Hate
The rage aimed
Toward the tyranny
They saw as defiance
And hate directed

Toward their own
Egomania
They beat
Him called him
Faggot queer
Rabbleroouser
They raped
Him with a nightstick
These so very macho men
These tools this salt of
The earth
And finally killed him
They called it suicide

Yet Carl Harp
Lives
In the memories
Of those who loved
Him
Those who knew
His love
The wife he left behind
He loved so tenderly
His comrades
His friends
The ones he fought
For and even those
He fought

And while his memory
Lives there is still hope
Hope that the dream
He dreamed may
Yet be realized
That he did not
Die in vain for
his dream was as
Great as his
Love and rage

History I give you
Carl Harp

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Note to America

After unconsciously and consciously in the name of Justice and for the sake of a buck, crippling, maiming, breaking physically, mentally and spiritually, lobotomizing, sterilizing, zombitizing, torturing and murdering hundreds and thousands of men, women and even children in your Criminal Justice System - you have the audacity, the gall to call me a criminal, an animal, scum ???

-Carl Harp-